



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Yuzo HORIKOSHI, et al.

Group Art Unit: 1714

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Examiner: SHOSHO, C.

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For: **INK, INK CARTRIDGE STORING SAID INK AND RECORDING DEVICE USING SAID INK**

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

January 23, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 4, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please **CANCEL** claim 5 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please **AMEND** claims as follows:

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1. (Four Times Amended) Ink comprising:

a primary particle of a copolymer that has a glass transition point less than or equal to 45 °C, a softening point measured by a flow tester ranging from 40 through 150 °C and a volume average particle